

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph spanning lines 10-13 of page 5 of the English translated specification with the following amended paragraph:

More precisely, it is usual to deposit the holding pad, associated with the ~~acorn~~ chuck, on the lens convex side. It is therefore possible to cover with the protective coating the whole convex side or, alternatively, only a central area of the convex side, using a mask or any other appropriate technique.

Please replace the paragraph spanning lines 29-32 of page 7 of the English translated specification with the following amended paragraph:

The layers can all be mineral as well as both mineral and ~~mineral~~ organic. In such a case, preferably the organic layer is deposited on the mineral low thickness layer (5 to 200 nm) and can have a much higher thickness, typically from 0.2 to 10 μm .